

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 10 Feb 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 11 Feb 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 09 Feb 2023 at 17:39 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for southward extent of rain on Friday. High for settled and dry weather over the weekend and early next week

Headline for Friday 10 Feb 2023: Very windy and cloudy with some rain in the north, drier in the south

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 10 Feb 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

High Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

Low Likelihood

Storm force winds

Low Likelihood

Poor visibility

Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
							
Light snow	Light snow	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain
Precipitation probability							
50%	50%	40%	60%	60%	50%	50%	40%

Forecast for Friday 10 Feb 2023

Weather: Argyll and southern Lochaber will be cloudy with rain, this turning heavy and persistent by late morning and into the afternoon. Rain will be briefly preceded by snow in the early hours. Rain may ease for a time across southern Lochaber in the afternoon but some uncertainty in this aspect. Drier weather expected across Arran, Jura and southern Kintyre with some occasional light rain or drizzle.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%, best chance across Arran

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud between 500 and 800 metres expected through the day

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	37/45 SW	46/58 SW	54/67 SW	51/64 SW	49/61 SW	40/51 SW	42/53 SW	41/53 SW	40/50 SW
900	27/34 SW	32/42 SW	35/46 SW	37/50 SW	30/41 SW	29/40 W	30/41 W	29/40 W	25/35 W
600	35/42 SW	43/53 SW	45/56 SW	42/54 SW	35/46 SW	33/44 SW	35/46 SW	32/43 SW	29/39 SW
300	15/21 SW	21/32 SW	24/35 SW	22/33 SW	18/27 SW	17/26 SW	18/27 SW	17/27 SW	17/27 SW
Glen	11/25 SW	19/36 SW	19/36 SW	16/32 SW	11/25 SW	13/26 SW	14/28 SW	12/26 SW	14/28 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-2/-11	-3/-13	-0/-10	1/-9	1/-8	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6
900	0/-7	-0/-9	1/-7	3/-5	3/-4	4/-3	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2
600	3/-5	2/-7	3/-4	5/-2	6/-1	6/0	6/0	6/0	6/0
300	5/0	4/-2	5/-0	7/3	7/3	8/4	8/4	8/4	8/4
Glen	7/3	6/1	6/2	9/6	9/6	9/6	9/6	10/7	10/7
Freezing Level*	1000m	800m	1400m	1400m	1700m	1900m	1800m	2100m	2100m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note rising freezing level with some thaw of any fresh snow. Windy at all levels with a risk of being blown over, gusts to 70 mph across the higher tops

Forecast for Saturday 11 Feb 2023

Weather: Some patchy light rain for a time in the early hours. Otherwise a mainly dry day although with a lot of cloud, the odd light shower still possible

Maximum wind: Westerly winds gusting 35 to 45 mph on the tops

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%

Low Cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 metres

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits